
Title: Julia's Message to Dupre

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“I had only just begun
my watch when Dupre
finally ceased his
relentless pacing around
the perimeter and entered
his tent to get some
sleep. He’s a good man
and a good leader, but he

drives himself far too
unremittingly in my humble
opinion. With Dupre’s
exit, I settled in for
what I had hoped would
be an uneventful night.
Sadly, my wish went
unfulfilled, for barely an
hour into my watch Dupre
burst out of his tent
full of nervous energy.
He paced a bit then
walked directly over to
where I was standing. As
captain of the night
watch, I held the highest
rank of those still awake,
which must be why Dupre
entrusted me with a
brief version of what had
happened. That together
with other
bits I’ve picked up over
the few days since have
pretty much explained why
he has been in Britain
from that time on.
Shortly after laying down
and closing his eyes,
Dupre was visited by the
spirit of a dear friend
of his from Minoc, Julia.
Julia was killed some time
back by the vengeful troll
G’Thunk. This all had
something to do with
that FOA group, but I’m
not sure exactly how

Julia was involved.

Halston, of the royal guard, knows more of that tale than I.

Regardless, Julia appeared from beyond the grave to bring news to Dupre. She told him of a ghost newly arrived to the Ethereal Void who seemed quite agitated. This ghost kept going on and on about some information she had that concerned Lord British's realm. The ghost wouldn't say what this information was and in truth barely acknowledged any other ghostly presence of those around her. It was Julia's opinion that this ghost, known only by the name Joye, feared she had failed in some way and needed a chance to deliver this information that seemed to haunt her. Thus Julia sought to get word of this ghost to someone who could do something to help the ghost as well as someone who could use the information to protect Britannia. Julia first sought Lord British but was not able to find even the slightest indicate of his location. After that she sought any of Lord British's most trusted companions, and Dupre ended up as the first she found. After seeing that Dupre understood her message, Julia smiled slightly and disappeared. We had all heard of a librarian from Britain named Joye who was somehow involved in the conflict with Minax, so after briefly relating Julia's message to me, Dupre set out for Britain. None of us at this encampment had

heard anything about the
librarian's death, but
news of that sort was
often slow to reach us in
these dark times.

Once in Britain, I learned
the next day, Dupre had
gone to the Britain Public
Library in search of
Joye. Finding no sign of
her, the paladin turned to
Nystul for help in seeking
the potentially tragic
young lady. Nystul was
able to confirm that
Joye had indeed been
murdered only a short
time before Dupre's
arrival, and by agents of
Juo'nar or perhaps even
the lich himself. Dupre
was distraught, but
Nystul assured the great
paladin that there just
might be a way to
contact the deceased
librarian. It wouldn't be
easy though. Five brave
souls would have to
sacrifice themselves and
then be sent to the
Ethereal Void as ghosts
to seek Joye. Of what
might happen once they
get there, I have not
heard. From what I hear,
Nystul is not even
completely certain he will
be able to bring the five
volunteers back from the
void, but that he is
researching that problem
even now. There is little
else I have been able to
discover. The main thing
that still puzzles me
about Julia's visit to
Dupre, though, is that as
near as I can reckon it,
she came to Dupre with
news of Joye's ghost
before Joye had been
killed!"